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In re Application of

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Entry of the following amendments prior to consideration of the appeal brief is
respectfully requested:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claim 25.

Kindly consider the following amended claims:

22. (Three Times Amended) An isolated DNA segment encoding a
mammalian GDF-1 protein having the amino acid sequence defined in an open reading
frame of Figure 2 or Figure 11A or Figure 11B.

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24. (Amended) An isolated DNA segment encoding a mammalian GDF-1
protein, wherein said DNA segment comprises a nucleotide sequence as defined in an
open reading frame of Figure 2 or Figure 11A or Figure 11B.